

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

On page 9, please insert the following heading before the fourth full paragraph:

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EXEMPLARY EMBODIMENTS OF THE
INVENTION**

On page 1, please replace the first full paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention relates to a method to guarantee for a service a bandwidth across an access network with a quality of service, ~~as described in the preamble of claim 1,~~ and to an access network wherein the method is applied, ~~as described in the preamble of claim 7.~~